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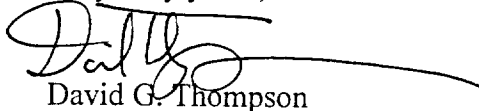
**Re: Coalition of Small LECs
Our File No. 54354-11841**

To Whom It May Concern:

Enclosed please find the Affidavit for Admission to Admit Attorney *Pro Hac Vice* completed by Stephen G. Kraskin of the law firm of Kraskin, Lessee & Cosson, LLP, a Washington, D.C. law firm. Mr. Kraskin has associated with the firm of Neal & Harwell, PLC to represent the Rural Independent Coalition in the Generic Docket Addressing the Rural Universal Service, Docket No. 00-00523. I have also enclosed an extra copy of the Affidavit which I ask that you stamp "filed" or "received" and return to me in the self-addressed, stamped envelope which I have also enclosed.

Please let me know if Mr. Kraskin needs to meet any other requirements in order to be admitted *pro hac vice* before the Tennessee Regulatory Authority. Please feel free to call me at the number listed above if you have any questions or comments.

Very truly yours,


David G. Thompson

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Enclosure

**BEFORE THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY
Nashville, Tennessee**

IN RE:

**GENERIC DOCKET ADDRESSING
RURAL UNIVERSAL SERVICE,**

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Docket No. 00-00523

AFFIDAVIT FOR ADMISSION TO ADMIT ATTORNEY PRO HAC VICE

Affiant, Stephen G. Kraskin, petitions the Tennessee Regulatory Authority ("TRA") pursuant to Supreme Court Rules 19 and 20, and TRA Rules and Regulations of Practice §1220-1-1-.20, for permission to appear in the above-described action as co-counsel for the Rural Independent Coalition, and does declare the following to be true:

Full Name: Stephen G. Kraskin

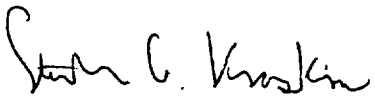
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I am currently licensed, in good standing, admitted to practice before the court of last resort of Washington, D.C. and no disciplinary action or investigation of my conduct is pending. I agree to subject myself to the jurisdiction of the Courts of Tennessee in any manner arising out of my conduct in this proceeding and agree to be bound by the Code of Professional Responsibility applicable to Tennessee lawyers and the interpretation thereof by Tennessee Courts.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my signature this 16th day of November, 2000.



Stephen G. Kraskin

Before me, a Notary Public, in and for said state and county, personally appeared Stephen G. Kraskin, who stated that the information in the foregoing Affidavit is true and correct and that he executed the same as his free act and deed, for the purposes contained therein.



CHANG HO CHOI, NOTARY PUBLIC
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA Notary Public
COMMISSION EXPIRES: 6/14/2004

My Commission Expires: _____